

# Appropriations for Higher Education in the 1992-93 State Budget

A CALIFORNIA POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION FACTSHEET

UNLIKE most other State programs, California higher education — with the exception of the California Community Colleges — is not constitutionally or statutorily guaranteed to receive a certain level of State funding. This lack of protection means that higher education is particularly vulnerable to budgetary reduc-

tions. Unfortunately, that fact is clearly demonstrated in the 1992-93 Budget Act, which significantly reduces State General Fund support to California's public colleges and universities (Display 1 below). Some of the most important facts about the 1992-93 higher education budget are listed on the back of this page.

DISPLAY 1 Actual 1991-92 and Budgeted 1992-93 State General Fund Appropriations, Student Fee Revenues, and Local Property Tax Revenues Available to California Higher Education, in Thousands of Dollars

<u>Educational System</u>	<u>1991-92</u>	<u>1992-93</u>	<u>Dollar Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<i>University of California</i>				
State General Fund	\$2,105,560	\$1,881,117	-\$224,443	-10.6%
Net Increase in Student Fee Revenue		60,000		
Total General Fund and Student Fee Revenue	2,448,811	2,284,368	-164,443	-6.7%
<i>The California State University</i>				
State General Fund	1,640,165	1,516,908	-123,257	-7.5%
Net Increase in Student Fee Revenue		54,500		
Total General Fund and Student Fee Revenue	1,942,502	1,873,745	-68,757	-3.5%
<i>California Community Colleges (Local Assistance)</i>				
State General Fund	1,694,847	1,263,500	-431,347	-25.4%
Local Property Tax Revenues	844,352	1,090,000	245,648	29.0%
Net Student Fee Revenue	84,000	130,000	46,000	54.7%
Loan	0	241,000	241,000	
Total	2,623,199	2,724,500	101,301	3.8%
<i>Hastings College of the Law</i>				
State General Fund	13,621	12,038	-1,583	-11.6%
Net Increase in Student Fee Revenue		600		
Total General Fund and Student Fee Revenue	17,946	16,963	-983	-5.4%
<i>California Maritime Academy</i>				
State General Fund	7,063	6,301	-762	-10.7%
Net Increase in Student Fee Revenue		300		
Total General Fund and Student Fee Revenue	7,543	7,081	-462	-6.1%
<i>California Student Aid Commission (Local Assistance)</i>				
State General Fund	169,927	145,086	-24,841	-14.6%
Federal Funds	11,096	11,764	668	6.0%
Other Funds	1,004	1,070	66	6.5%
Total	182,027	157,920	-24,107	-13.2%
<i>California Postsecondary Education Commission</i>				
State General Fund	3,028	2,562	-466	-15.3%

Source: California Postsecondary Education Commission staff analysis of the 1992-93 State Budget Act.

- ♦ The General Fund budget for the University of California is \$1.88 billion — \$224 million, or 10.7 percent, less than that provided in 1991-92.
- ♦ That for the California State University is \$1.51 billion — \$123 million or 7.5 percent less than that provided in 1991-92.
- ♦ And that for the California Community Colleges is \$1.26 billion — \$431 million or 25.5 percent less than in 1991-92. Local property tax revenues to the community colleges will increase by \$245 million, or 29.1 percent, in 1992-93.
- ♦ Student fees were increased in all three public systems of higher education in 1992-93 (Display 2). Fees for full-time students were increased by 24 percent (\$550) at the University of California; by 40 percent (\$372) at the State University; and by 150 percent (\$180) at the community colleges.
- ♦ The public colleges and universities were directed to charge duplicate-degree tuition to students enrolled in a

course of study leading to a degree at the same or lower level than the degrees they already hold. The community colleges will charge students with a bachelor's or higher degree \$50 per semester unit, while the universities will establish a charge for duplicate-degree seekers that is not less than their marginal cost per student and not more than the level of nonresident tuition.

- ♦ The California Student Aid Commission's State General Fund budget for local assistance (grant programs) is \$145 million — \$24 million or 14.6 percent less than last year. As a result, the size of the Cal Grant awards has been decreased, despite the fact that student fees increased by 40 and 24 percent at the State University and the University, respectively.

More information about these appropriations may be found in Commission Report 92-27, *Appropriations in the 1992-93 State Budget for Higher Education* (October 1992), available from the Commission at 1303 J Street, Fifth Floor, Sacramento, California 95814-2938.

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#### DISPLAY 2 Systemwide Resident Student Fee Charges in 1991-92 and 1992-93 at California's Public Institutions

<u>Educational System</u>	<u>1991-92</u>	<u>1992-93</u>	<u>Annual Dollar Increase for a Full-Time Student</u>	<u>Annual Percent Increase for a Full-Time Student</u>
<i>University of California</i>				
Undergraduate and Graduate Students	\$2,274	\$2,824	\$550	24.1%
Law and Medical Students	2,650	3,200	550	20.7%
<i>The California State University</i>				
Undergraduate and Graduate Students*	936	1,308	372	39.7%
<i>California Community Colleges</i>				
Prior to January 1, 1993				
All Students	\$6 per semester unit with \$60 cap per semester	\$6 per semester unit with \$60 cap per semester	0	0.0%
After January 1, 1993				
Students Without a Bachelor's Degree	\$6 per semester unit with \$60 cap per semester	\$10 per semester unit with no cap per semester	180	150.0
Students With a Bachelor's Degree	\$6 per semester unit with \$60 cap per semester	\$50 per semester unit with no cap per semester	**	**
<i>Hastings College of the Law</i>				
Law Students	2,650	3,200	550	20.7%
<i>California Maritime Academy</i>				
Undergraduate Students	978	1,369	391	39.9%

\* Students seeking a second duplicate degree will be required to pay a higher fee effective January 1, 1993.

\*\* These students typically enroll in only one or two courses per semester and not as full-time students.

Note: For purposes of this display, a full-time student is one enrolled in 15 units of credit instruction.

Source: California Postsecondary Education Commission staff analysis of the 1992-93 State Budget Act.

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